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Subject: Docket Number T02532A-03-0017

We are writing to support the application of Mid Vale Telephone Company to provide land-line telephone service to the Crossroads Ranch development where we live just outside Qwest territory north of Prescott. Further, we urge that local area calling be extended to Prescott and vicinity and that this application be given the speediest possible approval.

The cell telephone service available to us is quirky at best and not fully reliable as an "only" telephone, though we probably will keep a cell phone even when we get land-line service.

The Mid Vale service would provide many benefits. Present methods for internet access are slow, and extremely expensive. We cannot now take advantage of satellite TV optional services. We cannot get tracking of 911 calls with our cell telephones. Heavy usage becomes very expensive. In addition to overcoming these problems, hard-line service will provide a level of reliability for both emergency and routine communications we now can only dream of.

There can be no doubt that should this application be approved the service will be strongly in the public interest, particularly if the extended calling area is awarded. Thank you for considering this matter expeditiously and, we hope, favorably.

Respectfully,

Phil and Sharon Fry
Resident Property Owners

Arizona Corporation Commission

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